

March 8, 2004
Regular Session

Minutes

Members Present: 4

Members Absent: 1

Lloyd Davis-Chairman
Roger Evans - Commissioner
Johnny Myers- Commissioner
D.C. Swaim- Commissioner

Brent Hunter-Commissioner

Others Present:

Cecil E. Wood, County Manager
James Graham, County Attorney
Melinda Vestal, Clerk to the Board

Chairman Davis called the meeting to order. Commissioner Evans led the invocation. The Board had the pledge of allegiance. Weslee Glenn from Forbush High School did not attend the meeting; school was cancelled. He will lead the pledge at the April 5th meeting.

Public comments

Jimmy Steelman, Hamptonville, suggested to the Board that they send a letter of appreciation to the fire departments for their dedication and hardwork during the wind storm last night.

*Commissioner Evans made the motion to send letters of appreciation to the fire departments and EMS. Commissioner Swaim seconded. **The Board voted 4-0.**

Minutes

*Commissioner Swaim made the motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Evans seconded. **The Board voted 4-0.**

Economic Development-update/report

Bobby Todd, Economic Development Director, gave an update on economic development activity in the county.

Senior Centers-budget

Joanne Larkins, YVEDDI Executive Director, introduced the Senior Center Coordinators: Lavania Gilliam, Yadkinville, Lisa Martin, Jonesville and Rhonda Beavers, East Bend.

Ms. Martin spoke on behalf of the senior centers asking the Board to reconsider the \$10,000 cut from last year's budget to the senior centers. Several citizens (Joe Hennings, East Bend, Lester Miller, Courtney, Delos Martin, Jonesville, Camilla Doub, Yadkinville, and Hassel Brown, Chairman, YVEDDI Board of Directors) who use the centers spoke in favor of the centers and what it means to the seniors. They also ask the Board's consideration to restore the \$10,000 to each center.

Brenda Holbrook, Coordinator for Meals on Wheels, informed the Board that there is no longer a waiting list for meals. She informed the Board that each county is now allowed to contract with local caterers for the meals. The contract for caterers will go out for bids in the next week.

The Board was in agreement to try to restore the money to the senior centers but made no promises.

Commissioner Myers stated there were cuts made to all the budgets. The county cut twelve positions and the state withheld funds. There needs to be a tax increase of 30 cents to do all the things the county needs to do, but is anyone willing to vote for the increase? Commissioner Myers also informed the audience that four years ago one penny on your tax rate generated \$250,000 and today that same penny generates only \$180,000.

Commissioner Swaim stated the Board is not acting cowardly. The Board met with officials in Raleigh and the money can be borrowed for the waterlines if the citizens of the county vote for a bond.

Chairman Davis asked who would vote for the bond if the lines are not run in their areas? Chairman Davis stated each decision he makes is done for the best interest of the county. He discussed the needs of the schools and how 80% of the county's budget is mandated.

The Board thanked everyone for coming and expressing their concerns.

Chairman Davis called for a break.

Health Department-budget amendment and Local Emergency Planning Committee

| Summary | Account # | Original Budget | Increase/(Decrease) | Amended |
|---|-----------|-----------------|---------------------|----------|
| Wic Client Services Revenue *DHHS | 3516.3206 | \$76,505 | \$5,533 | \$82,038 |
| Expenditure Capital Outlay | 5617.5100 | \$200 | \$5,533 | \$5,733 |

*Additional State Funds due to an increase of \$1.20 in the monthly participant reimbursement rates to local health departments. Funding has to be spent in support of WIC Program Services. Funds will be used to purchase new desks, room divider panels, laptop computer and printer for the WIC office.

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| WIC Nutrition Edu. Revenue *DHHS | 3516.3205 | \$32,877 | \$2,500 | \$35,377 |
| Expenditure Supplies | 5166.2600 | \$2,468 | \$1,300 | \$3,768 |
| Travel/meeting | 5166.3120 | \$750 | \$1,200 | \$1,950 |

*Funds used to support Lactation Education training for staff and to purchase supplies.

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| WIC Breastfeeding Revenue *DHHS | 3516.3207 | \$3,087 | \$1,900 | \$4,987 |
| Expenditure Supplies | 5168.2600 | \$721 | \$1,350 | \$2,071 |
| Travel/meeting | 5168.3120 | \$150 | \$550 | \$700 |

*Funds used to support staff training and to purchase supplies.

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| Nutrition-Block Grant Revenue *Misc- fees | 3519.4902 | \$220 | \$66 | \$286 |
| Expenditure Supplies | 5169.2600 | \$200 | \$66 | \$266 |

*Funds generated through training provided by the nutritionist for Head Start staff.

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| Maternal Health Revenue *March of Dimes Grant | 3516.3218 | \$0 | \$8,000 | \$8,000 |
| Expenditure Salary | 5163.1200 | \$123,860 | \$7,200 | \$131,060 |
| FICA | 5163.1810 | \$9,475 | \$600 | \$10,075 |
| Travel/training | 5163.3120 | \$5,000 | \$200 | \$5,200 |

*Funds received from March of Dimes through a grant submitted by Wake Forest University School of Medicine targeting Davidson and Yadkin County's high- risk women. The funds are to be used to establish a telephone intervention program to assist Yadkin County women with high-risk health concerns. The ultimate goal is to prevent risk complications for pregnant and childbearing age women. The program may be staffed by a health educator or a registered nurse.

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| Environmental Health Revenue *DHHS | 3518.3201 | \$750 | \$3,991 | \$4,741 |
| Expenditure Supplies | 5180.2600 | \$6,000 | \$3,991 | \$9,991 |

*Additional State Funds for 98% compliance with mandated inspections of food and lodging establishments. Funds budgeted in Environmental Health supplies.

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| Child Health Revenue *Safe Kids Grant | 3519.4901 | \$0 | \$2,000 | \$2,000 |
| Expenditure Supplies | 5160.2607 | \$0 | \$2,000 | \$2,000 |

*Grant from NC Safe Kids program to purchase child safety seats.

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| Maternal Health Revenue Smart Start-Baby Bucks | 3516.3223 | \$6,000 | \$4,900 | \$10,900 |
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| Expenditure Supplies-SS | 5163.2612 | \$2,000 | \$2,164 | \$4,164 |
| Contract Service- Smart Start | 5163.1996 | \$4,000 | \$2,736 | \$6,736 |

*Additional Smart Start funds available from the March of Dimes to use toward purchase of car seats and contractual interpreter services.

*Commissioner Myers made the motion to approve the budget amendment. Commissioner Swaim seconded. **The Board voted 4-0.**

*Commissioner Myers made the motion to reactivate the Yadkin County Local Emergency Planning Committee, appointing Chairman Davis as the County Commissioner representative. Commissioner Evans seconded. **The Board voted 4-0.**

Tax Administration- E&R Meetings

The Board set the following dates for E&R meetings:

- a. Thursday, April 15th at 9:00 a.m
- b. Thursday, April 22nd at 6:00 p.m.
- c. Thursday, April 29th at 9:00 a.m

Zoning- set public hearing

Kim Bates, Zoning Supervisor, reminded the Board of the Planning Board meeting scheduled for March 9th at 7:00, to discuss the Elkin Airport Expansion. Mr. Bates also requested the Board set a public hearing for proposed zoning amendments.

*Commissioner Swaim made the motion to set a public hearing for April 19th at 7:00 p.m
Commissioner Evans seconded. **The Board voted 4-0.**

Criminal Justice Partnership Program-board appointments

Criminal Justice Partnership Program Committee (CJPP)

| Name | Appointed | Term Expires |
|----------------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| Wayne Matthews, Chairman | March 2004 | March 2006 |
| Sheriff Mike Cain | March 2004 | March 2007 |
| Brent Hunter, Commissioner | March 2004 | March 2005 |
| Cecil Wood, County Manager | March 2004 | March 2006 |

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| Andy Crissman, Chief PPO | March 2004 | March 2005 |
| Joy Johnson, Probation | March 2004 | March 2006 |
| Jeannie Houston, Judge | March 2004 | March 2007 |
| Tom Horner, District Attorney | March 2004 | March 2005 |
| Gayle Brown, Health Director | March 2004 | March 2006 |
| Tim Parks, Police Chief | March 2004 | March 2007 |
| Mitchell Davis, Magistrate | March 2004 | March 2005 |
| Lynn Crater, Administration | March 2004 | March 2006 |
| Una Graham, Community Service | March 2004 | March 2007 |
| Barry Daye, Jail | March 2004 | March 2005 |
| Mike Helms, Judge | March 2004 | March 2006 |
| Larry Reavis, Attorney | March 2004 | March 2005 |
| Tom Kilby, Juvenile Services | March 2004 | March 2007 |

*Commissioner Evans made the motion to reappoint the members to the CJPP with staggered terms. Commissioner Swaim seconded. **The Board voted 4-0.**

E-911-ordinance and budget amendments

Amendment Capital Project Ordinance Communications Capital Project

Be it ordained by the Board of Commissioners of Yadkin County, that, pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the General Statute of North Carolina, that the following capital project ordinance is hereby adopted:

Section 1. The project (s) authorized are the construction of an addition to the Sheriff's Department for communications activities, the purchase of radio consoles and other communication equipment and installation of remote site repeaters and necessary support equipment.

Section 2. The officers of this unit are hereby directed to proceed with capital projects.

Section 3. The following amounts are appropriated for the project

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| addition to Sheriff's Department | \$ 90,000 |
| communications equipment contract | \$645,057 |
| repeater site expense | <u>\$217,421</u> |
| Total | \$952,478 |

Section 4. The following revenues are anticipated to be available to complete this project.

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| transfer from General Fund | \$160,598 |
| transfer from E-911 Fund | <u>\$791,880</u> |
| Total | \$952,478 |

Adopted this the 8th day of March.

S/
Lloyd Davis, Chairman

| Description | Account # | Original Budget | Increase/(Decrease) | Amend |
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| Transfer to E-911 Fund | 10-4212-9850 | \$0 | \$70,598 | \$70,598 |
| Due from E-911 Fund | 10-2411-0003 | \$0 | \$70,598 | \$70,598 |

To record a liability for the funds loaned to E-911 Fund for balance of Communications Project and new servers.

| Description | Account# | Original Budget | Increase/(Decrease) | Amend |
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| Revenue: Transfer from General Fund | 27-3984-9801 | \$52,798 | \$17,800 | \$70,598 |
| Expense: Capital Outlay- Equipment | 27-4312-5200 | \$3,100 | \$15,300 | \$18,400 |
| Contracted Services | 27-4312-3900 | \$20,000 | \$2,500 | \$22,500 |

To amend for funds needed to purchase new servers for the new communications project.

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| Revenue: Appropriated Fund Balance | 27-3991-9910 | \$0 | \$291,700 | \$291,700 |
| Transfer from General Fund | 27-3984-9801 | \$0 | \$52,798 | \$52,798 |
| Expense: Transfer to Capital Projects- Communication Project | 27-4312-4950 | \$0 | \$518,648 | \$518,648 |
| Contingency | 27-9910-9910 | \$174,150 | (\$174,150) | \$0 |

| Description | Account# | Original Budget | Increase/(Decrease) | Amend |
|---|--------------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Revenue: Transfer from E-911 Fund | 40-3984-9806 | \$0 | \$518,648 | \$518,648 |
| Expense: Communication s Project Expense | 40-9830-7410 | \$0 | \$518,648 | \$518,648 |

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| Capital Project Fund-E911 Project | \$934,678 |
| Amount transferred from Gen. Fund for bldg. | (\$90,000) |
| FY transfer from E-911 Fund (01-02) | (\$162,000) |
| FY transfer from E-911 Fund (02-03) | <u>(\$163,830)</u> |
| Amount due to be transferred from E-911 Fund | \$518,648 |

*Commissioner Swaim made the motion to approve the capital projects ordinance and the budget amendments. Commissioner Evans seconded. **The Board voted 4-0.**

The Board discussed communication problems in the Courtney area and directed John Branon to meet with the Johnny Williard, Chief of the Courtney Fire Department. They also suggested contacting Jim Whitaker, Consultant, and discuss the problems with him.

Mr. Adams gave an update on the damage caused by the wind storm on March 7th.

Jeanne Dobson, 911 Addressing Coordinator, discussed the lack of signs on the new Hwy 421 and SR numbers. She informed the Board that all roads associated with the Hwy 421 Project

has been renamed except one and she is working on that road. It was suggested the Board meet with Troy Beavers, DOT, to discuss the issues of road signs.

The Board asked Ms. Dobson to present information regarding Baltimore Road at the next meeting.

Sewer-fees

The Board discussed the connection fees to hook onto the lines on Hwy 601.

*Commissioner Evans made the motion to accept the fee changes as recommended by the Manager. Commissioner Swaim seconded.

Motion and second withdrawn.

The Board requested the Manager to review the fees again and look at county-wide connection fees.

Commissioner comments

Commissioner Swaim discussed the recycling site at Hwy 21 and possibly adjusting the hours.

Mr. Adams stated he would have to look at all the sites.

Chairman Davis presented a proclamation adopted by the Iredell Board of Commissioners recognizing God as the Foundation of Our National Heritage.

Chairman Davis made a motion to adopt the proclamation. Commissioner Swaim seconded.

The Board voted 4-0.

PROCLAMATION SUPPORTING THE RECOGNITION OF GOD AS THE FOUNDATION OF OUR NATIONAL HERITAGE

WHEREAS, Our Government was founded upon a trust in God, that was evident when our Founding fathers proclaimed in America's first official document, our Declaration of Independence, that our rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, were not given to us by government, but by our God "our Creator," "Sovereign Judge of the Universe", and

WHEREAS, it is fact that between 90 and 95% of those drafted and signed the US Constitution had a strong belief and trust in God and never intended that there should be a separation between Him and the affairs of Government, only that each citizen be free to choose on a personal basis how to worship, or if to worship; and

WHEREAS, the recognition of God by our Government was further established when Congress, in 1954, added the phrase “ ONE NATION UNDER GOD,” to our Pledge of Allegiance, followed in 1956 by the official establishment of, IN GOD WE TRUST,” as our National Motto; and

WHEREAS, there is now a growing demand by some within the Judicial System to remove all visible recognitions of God from public institutions, which has recently resulted in a Federal Order to physically remove the Ten Commandments Monument from the Alabama State Supreme Court, rightfully placed there by the Chief Justice of the Alabama State Supreme Court to remind all that God is central to our National Heritage, and His Ten Commandments, without question, the foundation of America law, moral values, and code of conduct.

THEREFORE, the Yadkin County Board of Commissioners urges all American citizens, to proclaim to every level of Government (Local, State and Federal) the responsibility to publicly recognize God As the Foundation of Our National Heritage,.....LEST OUR NATION FORGET AND OUR CHILDREN NEVER KNOW.

Adopted this the 8th day of March 2004.

S/Lloyd Davis, Chairman
Yadkin County Board of Commissioners

Chairman Davis commented on the recent trip to Washington.

Commissioner Evans commented the Board presented a plan showing what direction the county plans to move in and was received very positive.

Manager comments

Mr. Wood reminded the Board of the Secondary Road Hearing scheduled for April 12th at 7:00 p.m. in the courthouse, the Annual Litter Sweep set for April 17th -30th and April 18th - 24th is County Government Week.

Mr. Wood reported to the Board that the roof of the Human Resources Building was damaged during the storm and some exterior metal was blown off at the courthouse.

Attorney Graham stated the franchise for Yadkin Valley Telecom was not presented at the last meeting, therefore he is presenting the franchise agreement at this meeting for approval and the agreement must also be approved at the next meeting.

*Commissioner Myers made the motion to approve the franchise for Yadkin Valley Telecom. Commissioner Swaim seconded. **The Board voted 4-0.**

The Board discussed the request from David Phillips and his method of paying taxes. The Board

directed Attorney Graham to address this as any other delinquent taxpayer.

Adjournment

*Commissioner Myers made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Swaim seconded. **The Board voted 4-0.**

Melinda Vestal, Clerk to the Board